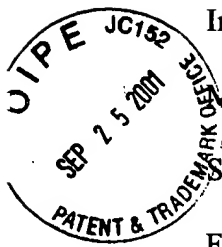


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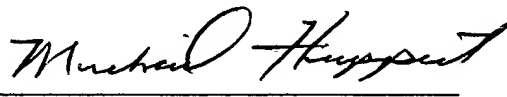
b. ☐ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,

c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,

- d. ☒ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
- e. ☐ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5. ☒ The cited references were cited in an action issued by the JPO on April 20, 2001 in corresponding JP application no. 2000-222008. In the action, the examiner pointed out that each of the cited references describes the technical idea that content information relating to a program, currently broadcast and displayed on a user's monitor, is displayed thereon. It was also pointed out the system described in JP 10-51752 includes a storage means for storing previously provided contents.

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